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RALEIGH, N.C. – The State Board of Elections & Ethics Enforcement on Tuesday extended voting at two polling places in North Carolina after temporary voting disruptions at those sites earlier in the day.

The affected sites are in **Columbus and Gaston** counties. See the chart below for information about the voting extensions.

EXTENDED VOTING HOURS (Alphabetical by County) County Precinct Name Address Extended Until SOUTH WILLIAMS-TABOR CITY COURTHOUSE

 Columbus
 SOUTH WILLIAMS
 COOK HOUSE 110 W FOURTH ST TABOR CITY, NC 28463
 9:20 PM

 Gaston
 ASHBROOK
 ASHBROOK HIGH SCHOOL 2222 S NEW HOPE RD GASTONIA, NC 28054
 7:50 PM

N.C.G.S. § 163A-1130 authorizes the State Board to extend voting hours at sites where voting is interrupted for at least 15 minutes, but the Board may extend voting only as long as the disruption.

In Columbus County, one ballot style was not available when the South Williams precinct opened at 6:30 a.m. Tuesday, causing a disruption for some voters. In Gaston County, a fire alarm sounded at a polling site late Tuesday morning, delaying voting for 20 minutes at that site.

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